



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

In re application of : Timo Hillebrand, et al.
 Application Serial No. : 10/534,387
 Filing Date : November 10, 2003
 Title : Novel Buffer Formulations for
 Isolating, Purifying and Recovering
 Long-Chain and Short-Chain
 Nucleic Acids
 Confirmation No. : 2884
 Group Art Unit : 1637
 Attorney Docket No. : 050372
 Examiner : Mark Staples

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Official Action mailed on June 15, 2007, and having
 a shortened statutory period for reply of September 17, 2007, with September 15, 2007, having
 fallen on a Saturday. This paper is believed timely without the need for an extension. If an
 extension is necessary, kindly grant one and deduct the fee for same from Deposit Account No.
 02-4800, in the name of Buchanan Ingersoll PC.